# NATION FORD MARCHING BAND NEWS

#### Weekly Update February 9 - February 15

If you can dream it, you can do it -Walt Disney









#### **Payments**

All electronic payments are now only accepted through the band website. We are no longer accepting any payments through Charms. Below are the steps to make payments:

- 1. Go to https://www.nationfordband.com/.
- 2. Click on the Fees/Payments tab at the top of the screen.
- 3. Scroll down to the section called "Payment Information."
- 4. On the right hand side of the screen, you will see a box called "Fees." Click on the drop down arrow and choose the type of payment you are making (ex. Winter Guard, NF Spring 2020 Trip, etc)
- 5. Type your student's name in the box called "Student."6. Click the yellow "Pay Now" button and follow the PayPal steps. \*\*Remember: this is for electronic payments only. Cash or checks are always accepted. Place those payments in Mr Woody's office in an envelope stating what the payment is for and clearly marked with your student's name\*\*

#### **Winter Guard**

Cadet practices are Tuesday & Thursday 4pm - 5:30pm. Varsity & JV practices are Movement Monday's 4pm - 5:30pm, Tuesday & Thursday 5pm – 8pm, Friday's before competition's 4pm – 7pm. Congratulations to the Cadets who scored 56.960 and to the Varsity who laced 3rd with a score of 66.920 We are proud of all the hard work you have put forth, keep it up!!

## **Panthers Positions**

Thank you to Carl Irish who has agreed to help as the acting Stand Manager for Nation Ford. We still need a Stand Manager to train under Carl, Money Manager and Recruiter - please let us know if you are interested. This stand is a HUGE money maker for our kids and the band. Please consider one of these positions is earning enough points to pay your band fees is appealing to you. The Irish's have paid all their band fees and a trip for 2 years in a row!! Questions? Please contact Shawna Lee Irish at irish1011@hotmail.com

# **Band Fees**

\*\*ALL ACCOUNTS WITH A PAST DUE BALANCE THAT HAVE POINTS WILL HAVE THEM AUTOMATICALLY REDEEMED TO BE APPLIED **TOWARDS YOUR UNPAID BALANCE \*\*** 

\*\*IF YOU HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING FEES FROM MARCHING SEASON ON YOUR ACCOUNT, ALL TRIP PAYMENTS WILL BE APPLIED **TOWARDS OUTSTANDING FEES FIRST\*** 

If you have not paid your band fees, you will not be able to buy Prom tickets for April 18th, walk at Graduation on June 5th, or get a parking pass for next year.

# **Indoor Percussion/ Winter Guard Pick-Up**

Please only pick up in the school drop off/ pick up lanes or the parking lot. We cannot have cars park in the fire lane due to safety of other cars and students.

## **Attractions Book sale**

The Winter Fundraiser has come to a completion! All monies (AND ANY UNSOLD BOOKS) should have been returned to the school Friday, February 7th. Due to Friday's unforeseen circumstances with the weather, please be sure everything is turned in by tomorrow, Monday Feb 10th.

## **Points redemption**

If you have points in your account that you wish to redeem, please email Nancy Minnix, nafocharms@gmail.com You must include how many points you want to redeem and what they are being applied towards (band fees, Spring trip, etc....)

#### **Spring Volunteer needs**

We are still in need of 4 students and 7 adults to help with the Mexican National Team Tour soccer event. The sooner we fill the stand, the sooner the reminders quit being sent out. Please help if you are able!

March 26 Mexican National Team Tour https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0449aaa82eab9-mexican

Remember if you find you can no longer work a game you signed up for, please email Shawna Lee Irish at irish1011@hotmail.com Students must be 16 years or older to work.

#### **Indoor Percussion**

Indoor Percussion practices are held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 4pm - 6:30pm. Some Saturday's also have practice. They will be attending WGI Championships in Dayton, Ohio April 13 - 18. NFHS IP is scheduled to compete in the PSA Prelims on April 15th Scholastic A Marching Fee payments are as follows:

November 21 - 1st payment due \$150 or 75 points PAST DUE December 12 - 2nd payment due \$200 or 100 points PAST DUE January 9 - 3rd payment due \$200 or 100 points PAST DUE February 6 - 4th payment due \$200 or 100 points - PAST DUE March 5 - 5th payment due \$150 or 75 points

Questions? Contact Jamey Ellisor at jameyellisor@gmail.com

## **CWEA** advertisements

CWEA (Carolina Winter Ensemble Association) is offering us the opportunity to sell advertisements for their program. Each student that sells an ad will earn points based on the size of ad sold. This is a super easy way to earn points because businesses need to sell ads, these are tax deductible, and it benefits both the business AND the student! All advertisements are due to CWEA by March 1st and need to be mailed directly to them. They will alert us once our students have mailed in their forms. Prices and points are as follows:

Quarter Page: \$50 (6 points) Half Page: \$100 (12.5 points) Full Page: \$200 (25 points)

Video Ad on the Jumbotron: \$400 (50 points)

ALL INDOOR PARTICIPANTS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FUNDRAISER, other students are optional

#### **Restaurant Nights**

Our next restaurant night is in 10 days on Wednesday, February 19th at Showmars in Indian Land. Put this on your calendars and head on over for some yummy food.

## **Spring Trip Announcement**

This Spring trip to Florida will take place April 1st through the 5th. Remember hotel and transportation are covered as well as all meals except the meal traveling to Florida and the meal returning home. All monies for souvenirs will be set by individual families. Payment prices are as follows:

Nov. 25, 2019: \$150 w/ Commitment Form - PAST DUE

Dec. 16, 2019 \$250 - PAST DUE Jan. 13, 2020; \$250 - PAST DUE Feb. 10, 2020: \$250 - due tomorrow

\*Payments may be made utilizing points in your Charms account. Please verify your available point balance before submitting to Nancy Minnix at nafocharms@gmail.com for points redemption

\*Tag A Long reservation payments are in effect for these accounts

## **Region Band Hospitality Room**

Nation Ford H.S. is hosting the SCBDA Region Band Clinic on Friday, Feb. 21st and Saturday, Feb. 22nd. The Directors from all over the region have complimented us for our food and hospitality and always look forward to this event as we are know for the food we provide! We are responsible for providing breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout the 2 days. We would love your help with this event. Please sign up below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4DAAA928A7FB6-20201

Please bring your breakfast items to the Hospitality room by 8 am and your lunch item by 11 am, on either the Friday or Saturday you have signed up. The Hospitality room is in the Drama Room this year. The Drama Room is located in the F100 Hallway, which is between the Commons area and the Gymnasiums (Aux and Practice Gyms).

Questions? Please contact Dorothy Shiakallis, NAFORegionband@gmail.com

## **Region Band Concessions**

NFHS Band Boosters is responsible for selling concessions on both days of Region Band. We still have a few positions open for volunteers to work the Concession Stand, located in the NFHS Commons area. Please sign up below: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4daaa928a7fb6-2020 Questions? Please contact Dorothy Shiakallis, NAFORegionband@gmail.com

#### **Crosswinds Insurance referral**

Renado Robinson at Crosswinds Insurance has a referral program that benefits our band program. For each referral sent to Crosswinds Insurance that sets up a new insurance policy, Crosswinds Insurance will donate \$10 to the band on a monthly basis and will also send a \$10 gift card to the referring person. This insurance company can beat the price of most other companies as they are an independent insurance representative. I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

#### **Amazon Smiles**

Please use the smile.amazon.com site when ordering from Amazon. This will help support the bands fundraising efforts. This site uses your same username and password as the Amazon site; however, it gives a percentage of all purchases back to the band. You will need to choose Fort Mill District Band Booster Club Inc in order to support the band.

#### Harris Teeter E-Vic

Nation Ford High School Band has teamed up with Harris Teeter E-Vic program as an easy way to help raise funds for our band program. Please go to the Harris Teeter website and under Together in Education click the green tab to "link your school". *Link your card to Nation FordHSMarching Band and youareset.* Note: If you did this last year, you need to do this again this year. E-Vic linking is only good for 1 year at a time. We receive quarterly checks once we meet a \$250 minimum required. Please, everyone link your E-Vic card as this is an easy and effortless way to help raise funds for the band.

#### **Publix Partners**

To support Nation Ford Band, sign up for Publix Partners through your Publix.com account (if you don't already have one) and select your desired school. Then, enter your phone number at checkout each time you make an eligible purchase.

To enroll.... Log in or sign up through www.Publix.com. Once signed in, drop down under "Welcome, (your name)" to access "Go To My Account." Go to "My Publix Partner" and select a school. Type Nation Ford, and you will be able to select Nation Ford High School Band, Fort Mill, SC. Every time you shop, enter your phone number (linked to your account) to give credit to the band. Family and friends who shop at Publix in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia can sign up for Publix Partners.

Please note, you need to re-enroll every year.

## Ways to keep informed of band information

Percussion

Don't forget we have 6 ways to keep informed of all band related information. We have this newsletter, our band website www.nationfordband.com which is updated weekly, the Charms public calendar link, a Facebook page - Nation Ford HS Band Boosters, and an Instagram page @nafo\_band We also have a public events page NAFO Marching Band Events Page. This way your family and friends can easily follow the band and their activities. Please be sure you check these sites regularly for updated information.

# IMPORTANT DATES — DO NOT FORGET

February 10 Spring Trip #3 due

February 19 Showmar's Restaurant Night (Indian Land)

February 21 - 22 Region Band Clinic

February 22 JV & Varsity Winter Guard rehearsal 9am-5pm

February 24 Booster Club meeting 7pm Large Band Room

February 29 Indoor Percussion practice 9am - 5pm (possible show)

March 1 CWEA Advertisements due

March 5 Winter Guard fee payment due JV/ Varsity \$90

Indoor Percussion payment due \$150 or 75 points March 6 JV & Varsity Winter Guard rehearsal 4pm-7pm March 7 Cadet, JV, Varsity Winter Guard at White Knoll High School Lexington, SC

WGI Spartanburg Regional (Indoor Percussion) March 13 JV & Varsity Winter Guard rehearsal 4pm-7pm March 14-15 WGI Charlotte Regional (JV & Varsity) March 20 Community Performance Winter Guard and Indoor

March 21-22 CWEA Championships (Cadet, JV, Varsity)

March 26 Mexican National Team Tour - 7 Adults, 4 Students still needed

March 30 Booster Club meeting 7pm Large Band Room April 1-5 Spring Band Trip to Florida (OPTIONAL) April 11 Indoor Percussion Camp Day 9am - 5pm (tentative) April 13 Indoor Percussion Camp Day 9am - 5pm (tentative) April 14 - 18 WGI World Championships Dayton, Ohio Indoor Percussion

April 18 Billy Joel Concert - Volunteers Filled Prom

April 27 Booster Club meeting 7pm Large Band Room (New Board voting occurs)

May 2 Garth Brooks Concert - Volunteers Filled
May 14 Spring Concert NFHS Auditorium 7pm
May 20 Percussion/Small Ensemble Concert NFHS Auditorium 7pm
Empire Pizza Restaurant Night 5pm - 9pm
May 25 Booster Club meeting 7pm Large Band room
June 5 NFHS Graduation Winthrop Coliseum 6pm (REQUIRED EVENT)





